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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: FACIO SEEKS INFORMATION ON LAW OF THE SEA

REF: SAN JOSE 1972

1. FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO HAS ASKED EMBASSY TO ASCERTAIN USG UNDERSTANDING OF SCENARIO FOR LOS CONFERENCE OPENING IN CARACAS JUNE 20. SEPCIFICALLY, HE WONDERS WHETHER FIRST EIGHT DAYS OF CONFERENCE WILL BE DEVOTED EXCLUSIVELY TO DISCUSSION OF PROCEDURAL PROBLEMS, OR WHETHER IT IS PLANNED THAT PREPARATORY DISCUSSIONS OF SUBSTANTIVE AGENDA ITEMS WILL PROCEED CONCURRENTLY (PERHAPS IN COMMITTEES).

2. BASED ON THIS INFORMATION, FACIO WILL DECIDE WHEN HE WILL GO TO CARACAS. HE DOES NOT PLAN OR WISH TO ATTEND THE PROCUDRUAL DEBATE, ALTHOUGH HE REALIZES ITS IMPORTANCE.

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3. FACIO AGAIN EXPRESSED HIS INTEREST IN POSSIBLE ADVANCE

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VISIT TO SAN JOSE OF USG SPECIALISTS TO DISCUSS ENTIRE
LOS AGENDA WITH FULL GOCR DELEGATION (REFTEL).
EMBASSY WOULD APPRIECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE ON FEASIBILITY
OF SUCH A VISIT, WHICH WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE WOULD BE
USEFUL TO ASSURE OURSELVES OF VALUABLE SUPPORT AT
CONFERENCE.

4. FACIO TOLD CHARGE MAY 31 THAT IN RECENT CONVERSATIONS
IN JALAPA WITH GON FOREIGN MINISTER THE TWO GOVERNMENTS
REACHED FULL COINCIDENCE OF VIEWS OF LOS ISSUES.
GOCR VIEWS ON LOS, WHILE CONTAINING ROOM FOR FLEXIBILITY
ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES, SEEM TO BE BROADLY SUPPORTIVE
OF US POSITIONS.
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